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May God forbid our saying on this page the things that merely please. We would be humble in our opinions, we would be considerate of the opinions of others; but we would not be unmindful of the immutable laws of cause and effect; for therein lies the wisdom of the ages.

### NEW CANADIAN RADIO SET-UP

A change is to be made in the control of radio in Canada, the federal government having passed an act providing for a set-up similar to the British Broadcasting corporation, with a board of governors, a general manager and an assistant general manager.

The corporation is given control over all programs, management of broadcasts, advertising, inter-nation and inter-empire hookups, etc. The licensing of stations and their technical control, however, is vested with the Minister Transportation, Hon. C. D. Howe.

The principle of public ownership is fairly well maintained and the set-up appears to be quite workable. A great deal depends upon the selection of the executive to handle the corporation, as it is apparent that Mr. Charlesworth's term is at an end.

There are two men mentioned prominently for the position of general manager, Gladstone Murray of the British Broadcasting corporation and Reginald Brophy of the U.S. National Broadcasting corporation. The former is a Canadian who has made a name for himself in British radio circles and is the natural choice. But the big Canadian radio companies and stations prefer Brophy.

The main purpose of the Canadian government's radio set-up should be to control radio in this country for Canadian people. Without the intervention of the government radio in Canada would be part and parcel of the Great United States chains. This should never be permitted.

It was a colorful fight. The Brown Bomber took a shellacking from the Black Union.

### OVERPLAYED THEIR HAND

When in power the Bennett government created the Bank of Canada and drew up a constitution providing for participation by the people of Canada in the ownership and management of the bank.

The directors were to be chosen in a democratic way and were to be representative of all phases of industry in Canada.

The Canadian Chamber of Commerce had ideas of its own on the matter and proceeded to organize to elect a slate of directors of its own choosing, and was successful in having the slate elected.

Undoubtedly the action of the Chamber created a lack of confidence in the set-up which resulted in the step taken by the King government which provided for the government taking a dominant position in the affairs of the bank.

The Chamber of Commerce of Canada would have been better advised to have left the election of bank directors alone. Theirs was a pyrrhic victory.

A motorist complains that some pedestrians walk as if they owned the streets. Some motorists drive as if they owned the cars.—Montreal Daily Star.

### THE BIG UPSET

There is nothing certain in this world, with the possible exception of death and taxes.

Joseph Louis Barrow found this out last Friday night after twelve rounds in a prize ring with Max Schmelling.

Louis (he has dropped his last name of Barrow) was built up as unbeatable, the greatest heavyweight in the history of fistiana. The way he had finished such fighters as Baer, Camera and the Chicago Kingfish made the experts think Louis was the greatest fighting luminary of the generation at least.

Then came Schmelling from Germany and cracks the Detroit negro on the jaw with a smashing overhand right and a belting, hurt, bewildered boy was on his back while the crowds cheered the Black Union.

Schmelling is 30 years of age. Louis is 22. Schmelling was soundly trimmed by Max Baer. Louis made Baer appear in the role of a quivering coward. No, you never can tell.

The report is that Schmelling gets \$120,000. But from that Uncle Sam took a slice of something like \$30,000 for income taxes, Max's manager, attendants, training camp expenses, etc., will lop off another \$30,000, and the balance of around \$60,000 will get another severe pruning by the time Herr Hitler's tax collectors get their grip on it.

### UNITED IN MONEY MATTERS

The duel between Gerry McGeer, Liberal member for Vancouver, and C. H. Cahan, Conservative member for Montreal, on the money and credit issue, in the House of Commons at Ottawa, was one of the features of the session of parliament just concluded.

McGeer lead a two-man rebellion against the monetary policy of the Liberal government, and Cahan came to the rescue of Hon. Charles Dunning, finance minister, in a new and rather astonishing alignment.

It was amusing to see an ex-minister and a member of the official opposition castigating a rebel from the government ranks and being applauded by government ministers in the process.

In fact the premier adroitly arranged matters so that Mr. Cahan could continue his speech for longer than the allotted period of forty minutes, and did it in a charming manner.

Altogether it seems certain that the leaders of both the major political parties are set in their ideas that experimentation in monetary matters, and particularly in any suggestion that would lead to inflation, is dangerous and would do much more harm than good.

### THE GREAT EXAMPLE

The clergyman who took exception to a recent editorial in this newspaper on the subject, "Failure Lies Elsewhere," in which the application of Christianity to mankind was discussed, read into the article a reflection on ministers of the gospel which was never intended.

The editorial said that Christianity could not be placed in the category of failure because it had never been tried. Professing Christians have failed to live up to the tenets of their religion. This is not the fault of ministers of the gospel, although they are not without blame, being human themselves. It is the fault of human nature.

Human nature is not all that it should be. But the lovely Nazarene took human beings as they were, with all their foibles and faults, with all their earthly desires and lusts, with all their selfishness and superficialities, ignorance and superstition, and pointed out a proper way of living to them.

The Carpenter of Nazareth set an example for all ministers of the gospel to follow.

### THE PEOPLE

"The people is a beast of muddy brain That knows not its own force, and therefore stands

Loaded with wood and stone; the powerless hands

Of a mere child quite it with bit and rein One kick would be enough to break the chain."

But the beast fears, and what the child demands

It does; nor its own terror understands, Confused and stupefied by bugbears vain. Most wonderful with its own hand it ties

And gags itself—gives itself death and war For peace forced out by kings from its own store."

Its own are things between earth and heaven;

But this it knows not; and if one arise To tell this truth, it kills him unforgiven."

—Tommaso Campanella (translated by John Addington Symonds.)

### SHERMAN'S BRAVEST DEED

General Sherman was once asked what was the bravest thing he ever did.

"Well, I saved a man's life once," he said.

"Who was it?"

"Joseph Jefferson's. Yes, I did; and I took back to it with pride and pleasure. It is something to be proud of—saving such a life as belonged to Joe Jefferson."

"How did it happen? Please tell me."

"Well," said Sherman solemnly. "It occurred last summer. We were both appearing talking to some friends. Joe had to leave early, and excused himself. After he had gone I noticed a bundle of manuscript on the floor. I hurried out to the elevator after Joe, but he had gone by way of the stairs. I called 'Joe! Joe!' but he didn't hear me. I ran down after him two steps at a time. I finally caught up with him and handing him the manuscript said, 'Here, Joe, you've forgotten something.'"

"A serious expression spread over his face as he took it and said, in a tremulously solemn and impressive voice: 'Sherman, you've saved my life!'"

"It was his autobiography which he was engaged upon at the time."—Christian Science Monitor.

One could understand the new millinery staying on if the head were a vacuum, but that would be an ungalant thesis.—Los Angeles Times.

## Ten Minutes with the Scotch Philosopher

### Rather Discouraging For Some

A very unusual condition developed in our district last month. On May 29 we had a rainfall of over two inches. This caused a considerable amount of rotting, but the bright sunshine which followed soon afterward helped the soil to such an extent that many late-sown grains were capable of coming through the ground. Examination of a nearby field showed sprouts, many of them five inches long, all twisted and tangled below.

As you may readily suppose, very little wheat was affected, but a number of farmers are going to be shy of oats and barley when threshing days come around.

A Toronto parson is starting premarital classes and is conducting to refuse to marry any couple who declines to study the problem of marriage.

We greatly fear that if the reverend gentleman carries out this proposal he won't have any marrying customers at all.

Young men and women are ever intolerant of the advice of others and doubtly so when cupid has sent his tiny arrows into their youthful breasts.

Perhaps it is just as well.

True diadems may flow from the lips of a sincere friend; the experiences of others may be told to warn the unwary of the dangers ahead, but the lessons never reach home until they have been paid for with sighs, tears and heartbreaks. That's why life is often a dreadful pickle.

### Methods Vary

Down in Uncle Sam's big territory the boys take their politics very seriously.

Defeated in a run-off primary one fellow met the successful candidate in a lunch room and smote him on the head with a sauce bottle.

Being much more dignified, our political heroes either invent or borrow choice phrases for the purpose of demolishing each other's wisdom. On notable occasions the house in Ottawa has heard such gems as "foible and fuffie" and "colossal nonsense."

Our own Mr. Aberhart can also rise to the occasion when he is snubbed by his opponents' want of understanding. As you all know, his favorite word is "buffet." On paper it does not look very illustrious, but when the premier lets it go he means a heck of a lot.

### The Census Man Gets Our Goat

Now we must tell you about the stiff job the census taker handed to us. Said he: "Where were you born?" "In Scotland," was the proud reply. "And your mother?" was the next question. "In Scotland," too, was the answer. "Now, how about your father?" the persistent fellow enquired.

Remembering that Dad first saw

## Canada's Birthday Anniversary

THE DOMINION OF CANADA came into being on July 1, 1867, and each year on that date the people of Canada celebrate the anniversary of the birth of a new nation on the North American continent.

Henrik Van Loon, the gifted Dutch writer, calls North America the "fortunate continent" because it is fertile and well equipped with forests, minerals, rivers and lakes, and also because of its inland plateaus.

Canada, occupying the north half of the continent, can be considered blessed for all the natural advantages the country possesses and also for the further advantage of having a peaceable and well-disposed neighbor.

The Dominion has an area of 3,684,723 square miles, this being larger than the area of the United States, including Alaska. Canada's area comprises 27 per cent of the British Empire.

From east to west Canada extends 3,185 miles, from the strait of Belle Isle to Queen Charlotte Islands.

Canadians have a splendid country. Right now it is in travail but this condition will not last forever. The Dominion has great problems to solve and vast difficulties to overcome, but the former are soluble and the latter surmountable.

When adjustments are made and humanity adopts a policy which provides less for selfishness and more for the general betterment of all, Canada will once again start forward.

the light of day in Yorkshire and was taken north of the Tweed in early childhood, we told this to the guy in a confidential way. Yes, and this is what he said: "Why, mister, you're not Scotch at all; you're a bloomin' Englishman!"

When we tried to refuse the honor thus thrust upon us, he explained: "Don't you know that in this country a man's nationality is the same as his father's?"

By golly, it isn't fair! And just to show you what we mean let us illustrate the thing in a practical fashion. In the winter of 1909 we met a fellow in Winnipeg whose name was Donald McDonald. He was born at a Hudson's Bay post in the far north. His mother was a full-blooded Indian girl, but because his paternal grandfather came from the Isle of Skye he's got the right to play the bagpipes while a true son of the heather is left holding the pipe.

Isn't this a changed wicked world, men?

Mrs. Brown had a new Swedish maid, who said one day after the holidays: "Mrs. Brown, where have your son come from the Isle of Skye he's got the right to play the bagpipes while a true son of the heather is left holding the pipe."

Isn't this a changed wicked world, men? Mrs. Brown said: "Oh, he has gone back to Yale, and I miss him so much." "I know you miss how you feel. My

### Won Some Distinction

"A telegram from George, dear."

"Well, did he pass the examination this time?"

"No, but he is almost at the top of the list of those who failed."

### Regrets

Some of the tourists who visit Palestine have queer notions. One lady said: "Well, now, if only I knew that Palestine had so much to do with the Bible, I surely would have brought a copy along."

### Motion Seconded

Many of the political speakers who make addresses over the radio should be taken off the ether and put under it.—Providence News-Tribune.

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### CALGARY STAMPEDE

Rated as one of the most colorful shows of its kind on the continent, the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede will stage its fifty-first annual event from July 4 to 11. This famous Stampede annually attracts tens of thousands of visitors from all over Canada and the United States, and the program planned for this year's show is exceptionally outstanding. From all indications the attendance will surpass last year's record when 222,408 people visited the exhibition grounds. The opening event on Monday morning, July 6, will be the famous stampee parade, at which it is estimated at least fifty thousand people will be spectators. This procession is several miles long and it is a thrilling sight to witness with hundreds of Indians and cowboys in their picturesque costumes, mounted police, chuck wagons, twelve hundred horses and some twenty bands providing the music. The stampee itself will be held every afternoon, with between six and six hundred entries, including the greatest riders and ropers on the American continent. All events are competitive, and include the North

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### CLASS A

#### 50-Yard Dash

Boys (under 60 pounds): Maurice Guyatt (C), Cornelius Klassen (C), Raymond Blake (M). Girls (under 50 pounds): Mary Nightingale (C), Margaret Martin (C), Dorothy Guyatt (C).

#### Running Broad Jump

Boys: Raymond Blake (M), Cornelius Klassen (C), Henry Nightingale (C), Dorothy Guyatt (C), Mary Nightingale (C), Margaret Martin (C).

### CLASS B

#### 75-Yard Dash

Boys (60 to 80 pounds): Orville Blake (M), Ole Klassen (C), Cornelius Klassen (C), Dorothy Guyatt (C), Cecil Kargard (A), Dorothy Carr (G), Alice Brooks (C).

#### Running Broad Jump

Boys: Orville Blake (M), Ole Klassen (C), Cornelius Klassen (C), Dorothy Guyatt (C), Cecil Kargard (A), Alice Brooks (C), Irene Heyford (C).

#### Hop-Step-and-Jump

Boys: Ole Klassen (C), Cornelius Klassen (C), Orville Blake (M), Irene Heyford (C), Cecil Kargard (A), Alice Brooks (C).

#### High Jump

Boys: Orville Blake (M), Cornelius Klassen (C), Ole Klassen (C), Cecil Kargard (A), Alice Brooks (C), Dorothy Carr (G).

#### Ball Throw

Boys: Orville Blake (M), Ole Klassen (C).

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I shipped a bunch of piggies and had reason to expect that most, or half of them at least, would be marked as select.

To my surprise and chagrin not one pig made the grade. So I assumed as you would, that an error had been made.

And when I asked the shipper if he knew why this was so he said, "I hate to tell you but they suffered from H." I would have mentioned it before, but it's one thing I dread."

O, say, was I embarrassed? Of folks, was my face red?

"Cheer up," he said, "take my advice and it's no use feeling sorry. Wash all your hogs in 'Oh Boy' Soap and you'll get the premium score."

P. A. Tenny in the Alliance Times-American and Canadian championship bucking horse riding contest, wild over riding, wild steer decorating with cut milking, Indian races, and the famous chuck wagon races, running horse races—seven races each afternoon starting the Saturday before the stampee. The exhibition will present more than six thousand entries in the several departments.

son (C), Cornelius Wittenburg (C). Girls: Dorothy Carr (G), Irene Heyford (C), Alice Brooks (C).

### CLASS C

#### 25-Yard Dash

Boys (80 to 100 pounds): John Klassen (C), William Carr (G), Donald Nall (M), Girls (70 to 85 pounds): Maxie Nall (M), Rena Mullen (M), Martha Carr (G).

#### Broad Jump

Boys: William Carr (G), Donald Nall (M), Girls: Maxie Nall (M), Martha Carr (G), Rena Mullen (M).

#### Hop-Step-and-Jump

Boys: William Carr (G), John Klassen (C), Donald Nall (M), Girls: Maxie Nall (M), Rena Mullen (M), Martha Carr (G).

#### High Jump

Boys: William Carr (G), Donald Nall (M), Girls: Maxie Nall (M), Rena Mullen (M), Dorothy Carr (G).

#### Baseball Throw

Boys: William Carr (G), John Klassen (C), D. Nall (M). Girls: Maxie Nall (M), Rena Mullen (M).

### CLASS D

#### 100-Yard Dash

Boys (100 to 125 pounds): Edward Madsen (M), Svend Kargard (A), Abe Martens (C), Girls (85 to 100 pounds): Vera Holman (M), Mary Robbourn (C), Blanche Jorgensen (M).

#### Broad Jump

Boys: Edward Madsen (M), Abe Martens (C), Jacob Martens (C), Vera Holman (M), Blanche Jorgensen (M), Girls: Mary Robbourn (C), Vera Holman (M), Elsie Jorgensen (M).

#### Baseball Throw

Boys: Abe Martens (C), Svend Kargard (A), Jacob Martens (C), Girls: Blanche Jorgensen (M), Elsie Jorgensen (M), Mary Robbourn (C).

### CLASS E

#### 100-Yard Dash

Boys (125 pounds and over): Frank Holman (M), Bobbie Kuckie (A), Ed Mullen (M), Girls (100 pounds and over): Jean Walters (G), Annie Nightingale (C), Elvira Walters (G).

#### Broad Jump

Boys: Frank Holman (M), Bobbie Kuckie (A), Edgar Mullen (M), Girls: Helen Martin (M), Annie Nightingale (C), Elvira Walters (G).

#### Hop-Step-and-Jump

Boys: Frank Holman (M), Edgar Mullen (M), Bobbie Kuckie (A), Girls: Annie Nightingale (C), Elvira Walters (G), Helen Martin (M).

#### High Jump

Boys: Alvin Mullen (M), Frank Holman (M), Edgar Mullen (M), Girls: Helen Martin (M), Annie Nightingale (C), Jean Walters (G).

#### Baseball Throw

Boys: Frank Holman (M), Alvin Mullen (M), Edgar Mullen (M). Girls: Jean Walters (G), Annie Nightingale (C), Vera Mullen (M).

## "Dogs"

When a dog experiences that transition we know by the stark name of death it affects us the more poignantly because he goes over the horizon with such magnificent valor.

I have had my heart wrenched many times by a close-up of this extraordinary courage. I rarely do meet what mankind regards as the terror of terrors with a beautiful composure, an instinct, if you will, that should hearten us all for a journey that is inevitable.

Dogs have taught those of us who love them many excellent things. Foremost perhaps is the divine quality, loyalty. They have also taught the art of forgiveness when unjustly persecuted, unselfishness and forthright honesty.

So it does not seem at all strange to me that they should help us to banish fear of the last enemy. I had a dog whose obedience to my command sent him to death under a carousing jockey's heels. He crawled back to me, licked my hand as though to say, "I don't blame you!" and stiffened in death.

I have held dogs in my arms when, after a brave battle with illness, they snuggled a little closer, gave a feeble wag of their tails, sighed gently and were no more.

I owned one joyous Sealyham who appeared to be recovering after three nights of lying on my porch. I was going to leave him while for a bracing walk. As though to encourage me, he tottered toward his rubber ball, barked, or at least placed his paw on it. He said, "See, I am all right!"

But when I returned an hour later he was stretched out in a pool of his own blood from a fatal hemorrhage. A physician's deed well done. I have often wondered if some instinct had not warned him of the approaching end—if, with rare consideration that is the heritage of dogs, he had not wanted me out of the way.

Such thoughts come to me in the wake of the latest sorrow. The dog I loved best has joined the canine procession to Elysian fields.

Billy was a small, beautifully shaped Boston with perfect white markings, alert clipped ears and the most expressive brown eyes I ever saw in a dog.

My wife and I saw him first in an Avenue dog shop thirteen years ago. He was then a year old. His cage was high up in a tier, and while the dogs around him were yipping, rolling or sticking their noses out between bars, Billy sat like a statue of despair. It was his tragic loneliness that smote us.

He was the most thoroughbred aristocrat I ever encountered in dogdom. Gentle and well-mannered but always politely aloof, he spent several weeks during which we had occasion to swap him for a dog a little more gregarious with his attentions, who was as stone-dead hopelessly and congenitally so. It was then, in the fashion of the Kipling poem, we "gave him our hearts to tear."

I believe now that he felt he would be a disappointment, for as though sensing our decision, he became a different dog, vital, buoyant and playful—O. O. McIntyre in "Companion Magazine."

### RELAY RACES

#### Boys

1. Makepeace (Frank Holman, Edward Madsen, Alvin Mullen, Edgar Mullen). 2. Adam's Lake (William Carr (G), Bobbie Kuckie (A), Svend Kargard (A), Orville Blake (M)). 3. Crowfoot (Abe Klassen, Cornelius Wittenburg, Jacob Martens (C)).

#### Girls

1. Makepeace (Helen Martin, Vera Holman, Blanche Jorgensen, Maxie Nall). 2. Grants (Jean Walters, Dorothy Carr (G), Elvira Walters (G)). 3. Crowfoot (Mary Robbourn, Annie Nightingale, Zephora Heyford, Vera Mullen).

#### LONGER RACES

Junior boys (up to 100 pounds), 220 yards: William Carr (G), Abe Klassen (C), Donald Nall (M). Girls (up to 100 pounds), 220 yards: Annie Nightingale (C), Helen Martin (M), Elvira Walters (G).

Senior boys (over 100 pounds), 440 yards: Frank Holman (M), Bobbie Kuckie (A), Edgar Mullen (M). Junior boys, half mile: William Carr (G), Abe Klassen (C), Donald Nall (M). Senior boys, half mile: Frank Holman (M), Bobbie Kuckie (G), Edgar Mullen (M).

#### Just Missed It

Old Lady (meeting a one-legged tramp on the street): "Now, you have lost a leg, haven't you?" Tramp (looking down at his foot): "Well, I'll be darned if I haven't!"

#### Eternal Triangles

"White sails in the sunset. White sails in the morn. They flap on the clothes line Since baby was born."

So sang a young mother With tears in her voice, "So many triangles, Just one might be nice."

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